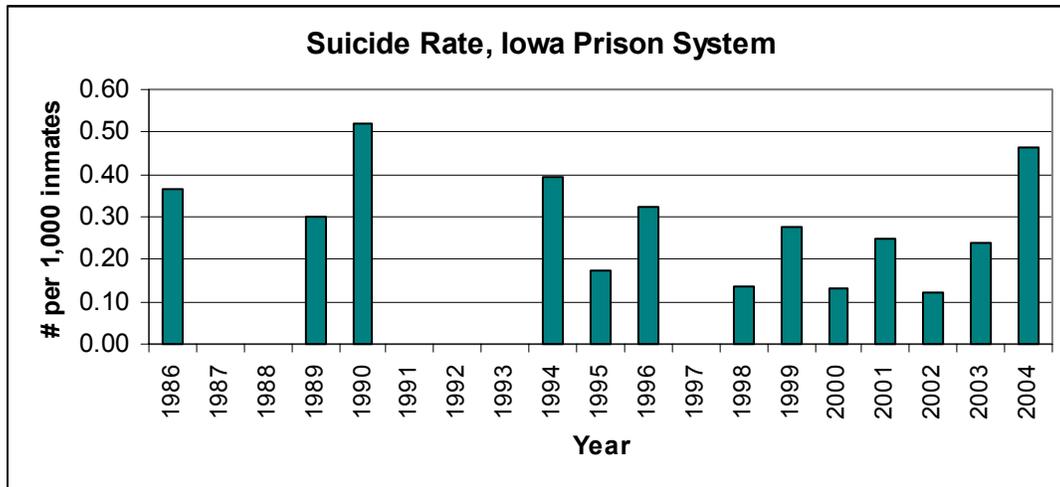


Inmate Suicides in Iowa and the U.S.

Iowa Data:

- Iowa's prison population has more than tripled between 1986 and 2004.
- The number of suicides per year has increased to a high of four in 2004.
- The suicide rate (suicides per 1,000 inmates) has fluctuated between 0 and 0.52 (which was the rate in 1990). The suicide rate in 2004 was 0.46.



U.S. Data:

- The suicide rate in state prisons and the federal system has varied between 0.16 (1992) and 0.26 (2000, which was comparable to the rate in 1986). In 2001 (the most recent available national data), the rate was 0.17 per 1,000 inmates.
- Iowa's suicide rate is comparable to rates in surrounding states:

<i>State</i>	<i>Number of Suicides, 2001</i>	<i>Suicide Rate, 2001</i>
Iowa	2	0.25
Illinois	10	0.22
Kansas	2	0.24
Minnesota	1	0.16
Missouri	5	0.18
Nebraska	1	0.25
South Dakota	2	0.74
Wisconsin	5	0.30

Source: The 2002 Corrections Yearbook, Criminal Justice Institute, Inc.

**Suicides in the Iowa Prison System
1986 - 2004**

Year	Number	Location	Mid-Year Prison Population	Rate per 1,000 Inmates Statewide
1986 total	1	OAK	2,722	0.37
1987 total	0		2,789	0.00
1988 total	0		2,890	0.00
1989 total	1	ASP	3,322	0.30
1990	1	MCC/UIHC		
1990	1	ASP		
1990 total	2		3,842	0.52
1991 total	0		4,077	0.00
1992 total	0		4,485	0.00
1993 total	0		4,695	0.00
1994	1	MSU		
1994	1	ASP		
1994 total	2		5,089	0.39
1995 total	1	ISP	5,692	0.18
1996	1	MCC/UIHC		
1996	1	ISP		
1996 total	2		6,176	0.32
1997 total	0		6,636	0.00
1998 total	1	MCC	7,431	0.13
1999	1	ASP/UIHC		
1999	1	CTU		
1999 total	2		7,231	0.28
2000 total	1	NCF	7,646	0.13
2001	1	ISP		
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2001 total	2		8,101	0.25
2002 total	1	ASP	8,172	0.12
2003 total	2	CCU	8,395	0.24
2004	1	MWU		
2004	3	CCU		
2004 total	4		8,611	0.46

Source: ACIS; DOC Health Services